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Listing of Claims:

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. (Currently amended): A connector comprising:
 - 2 a hollow member having an open first end and an open second end joined by
 - 3 a bore extending through said hollow member having a first bore section and a
 - 4 second bore section that is stepwise reduced from said first bore section creating an
 - 5 annular shoulder therebetween, said ~~first bore~~ second section tapering inwardly from
 - 6 said shoulder toward a third bore section;
 - 7 a sealing member receiver integrally formed into the connector and located
 - 8 within said second bore section near said third bore section; and
 - 9 a sealing member seated within said sealing member receiver and as said
 - 10 sealing member receiver is formed, said sealing member being compressed during
 - 11 formation of said sealing member receiver to at least partially protruding protrude
 - 12 inwardly into said second bore section;
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- 14 2. (Original) The connector of claim 1 further comprising at least one retaining
- 15 assembly located on one end of said hollow member.
- 1 3. (Original) The connector of claim 2, wherein said retaining assembly is a barbed-
- 2 type retaining assembly formed on said hollow member adjacent said second end of
- 3 said bore.
- 1 4. (Original): The connector of claim 3 further comprising a sealing member receiver
- 2 formed on said barbed retainer; and
- 3 a second sealing member seated within said sealing member receiver on said
- 4 barbed retainer, said second sealing member extending at least partially radially
- 5 outward of said barbed retainer to effect a sealing relationship with a conduit.
- 1 5. (Original) The connector of claim 4, wherein at least a portion of said barbed
- 2 retainer is formed without a parting line.

- 1 6. (Currently amended): The connector of claim 2, wherein said retaining assembly is
2 1 further comprising a latch-type conduit retaining assembly mounted on said
3 hollow member at said first end and including a retaining clip biased toward a lock
4 position.
- 1 7. (Original): The connector of claim 1, wherein said hollow member is configured as
2 an in-line connection with said first open end and said second open end lying on a
3 common axis.
- 1 8. (Original): The connector of claim 1, wherein said hollow member has an elbow
2 configuration with a bend between said first open end and said second open end.
- 1 9. (Currently amended): The connector of claim 7 8 further comprising a flange
2 extending partially into said bore extending between a first corner of said bend to
3 a second corner of said bend, whereby said flange prevents overinsertion of conduit.
- 1 10. (Original): A connector comprising:
2 a hollow member having a first open end and a second open end joined by
3 a bore;
4 said hollow member defining a sealing member receiver housing an
5 integrally assembled sealing member, wherein said sealing member receiver is
6 adapted to load said sealing member such that a portion of said sealing member
7 protrudes into said bore; and
8 at least one conduit retaining assembly located at one of said ends.
- 1 11. (Currently amended): The connector of claim 9 10, wherein said receiver includes
2 a concave recess formed in said member having opposing surfaces between which
3 said sealing member is seated.
- 1 12. (Currently amended): The connector of claim 9 10, wherein said bore opens radially
2 outward adjacent one side of said sealing member defining a clearance for removal
3 of an insert assembly during formation of said connector.

1 13. (Original): The connector of claim 11, wherein said hollow member has a surface
2 adjacent said sealing member extending axially toward said first open end and
3 radially outward to define a frustoconical bore section adjacent said sealing member.

1 14. (Original): The connector of claim 12 further comprising a cylindrical bore section
2 adjacent said frustoconical bore section stepped radially outward by a shoulder
3 separating said sections, said cylindrical bore section opening at said first open end.

1 15. (Original): The connector of claim 13 further comprising generally cylindrical third
2 bore section stepped radially inward by an annular flange inward from said
3 frustoconical portion to an extent less than the protrusion of said sealing member
4 into said bore.

1 16. (Original): The connector of claim 14 further comprising a barbed conduit retaining
2 assembly having a plurality of barbs formed on said hollow member assembly
3 adjacent said second end;
4 said barbed retaining assembly defining a second sealing member receiver
5 located on an exterior of said hollow member adjacent one of said barbs;
6 a sealing member carried by said second sealing member retainer;
7 wherein said second sealing member is adapted to protrude radially outward
8 of said barbs.

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1 21. (New): A connector comprising:
2 a hollow member having an open first end and an open second end joined by
3 a bore extending through said hollow member, wherein said hollow member has an
4 elbow configuration with a bend between said first open end and said second open
5 end; and

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- 6 a flange extending partially into said bore and extending from a first corner
7 of said bend to a second corner of said bend, whereby said flange prevents
8 overinsertion of a conduit within said bore.

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